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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 7144 NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 5, 2013

BILL NUMBER: SB 411 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Health Standards for Farmers' Markets.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Young R BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation</u>: This bill requires the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) to adopt rules to establish guidelines concerning health and sanitary standards for food sold at farmers' markets and roadside stands. The bill prohibits a city, town, or county from adopting an ordinance concerning health and sanitary standards for food sold at farmers' markets.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

<u>Explanation of State Expenditures:</u> Currently, the ISDH has administrative rules that govern the health and sanitary standards for food sold at farmers' markets and roadside stands. As a result, this requirement is expected to have no fiscal impact on the ISDH.

## **Explanation of State Revenues:**

<u>Explanation of Local Expenditures:</u> Under the bill, local governments would be prohibited from adopting ordinances concerning health and sanitary standards for food sold at farmers' markets and roadside stands. No data are currently available as to which localities maintain ordinances of this type.

This bill could eliminate the need for local health department officials to inspect farmers' market vendors for compliance with local ordinances. However, because farmers' markets are currently inspected by local health department officials for compliance with guidelines established by the ISDH, the reduction in workload is expected to be minimal.

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## **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** ISDH.

**Local Agencies Affected:** All.

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